

## RESOLUTION OF RESPECT

JOHN W. SCOTT

1871 - 1956

Dr. John W. Scott, long-time member of the Ecological Society of America, died in Laramie, Wyoming, on August 15, 1956, at the age of 85.

Dr. Scott was born on a farm in Lewis County, Missouri, on July 1, 1871. After graduation from the local schools, he received from the University of Missouri his Bachelor's degree with election to Phi Beta Kappa and later his Master's degree. He then taught in high school before completing his doctorate in zoology at the University of Chicago.

After serving at Kansas State College from 1911-13, he was appointed in 1913 as Professor of Zoology and Chairman of the Department at the University of Wyoming, which positions he retained until he became Professor Emeritus in 1945.

Although his early specialization was embryology of marine annelids (he taught the invertebrate course at Woods Hole from 1908-11), and he later did much research in parasitology, he had broad interests and was in reality a general zoologist. He was greatly interested in the state of Wyoming and its wildlife and helped lay the groundwork for studies of animal ecology in the area. He wrote the chapter on Wyoming for Shelford's "Naturalist's Guide to the Americas." As president of the state Izaak Walton League, he assisted in promoting good fish and game laws which went into effect while he was Executive Secretary of the State Fish and Game Commission.

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He is survived by his wife and five children, four of whom are working in biology or medicine. He had the gift, rare among biologists, of not only being a competent scientist himself but of inducing most of his children to enter the biological field.

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